(d) The estimate has been prepared and is under the consideration of Government.

(e) Does not arise in view of answer to (d).

(f) Yes. Estimate is being scrutinised.

Kozhencherry Bridge.

130. *MR. P. S. MOHAMED (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the date and year of the sanction for the construction of the Kozhencherry bridge;

(b) the date and year of the acceptance of tender of the contractor;

(c) the date of the agreement executed by the contractor at the first instance;

(d) the name of the contractor;

(e) the date and year when the work was started;

(f) the periods during which the work was suspended;

(g) the reasons for suspension;

(h) how many times the work was suspended;

(i) the date and year when the construction was resumed after the last suspension of the work;

(j) the variations made in the rates contained in the original agreement; and

(k) the reasons for making such variations?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (a) 9-8-1937.

(b) 26-6-1941.

(c) 13-4-1942.

(d) Messrs Sarma Brothers Corporation Ltd., Trivandrum.

(e) 17-11-1941.

(f) 11-7-1942 to 3-1-1943.

(g) The contractor's failure to show proportionate progress and consequent necessity to make other arrangements.

(h) Once.

(i) 3-1-1943.

(j) No variation.

(k) In view of answer to item (j) this does not arise.

Breach in the Tovala Channel near Thusi Anai.

131. *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a breach occurred in the Tovala Channel near Thusi Anai in Tovala taluk in Makaram 1120, and if so the cause of the breach?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Yes. The main cause was an undetected hole which appeared to have developed some time between the 22nd and 30th January 1945.

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